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Agricultural Summary: Temperatures in Colorado continue to stay above average with below average precipitation except in the Capital which reported above average precipitation. The limited rainfall and warmer temperatures cause concern for wildfires that have been reported in the southern regions of the State. Overall, mountain snowpack jumped to 252 percent of average. Potential for flooding from snowmelt is a concern as temperatures warm up in the high country. Farmers were allowed 6.2 days in the field for spring operations last week.

TOP SOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	14	19	65	2
Last Week	10	20	68	2
Last Year	3	15	79	3

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	16	21	61	2
Last Week	12	23	61	4
Last Year	3	15	81	1

Small Grains: Winter wheat was 98 percent headed with 35 percent turning color and 3 percent ripe at the end of last week. The crop is rated in mostly fair to good condition. Spring barley was 26 percent headed and rated in mostly fair to good condition. Spring wheat was 14 percent headed and rated in mostly good to fair condition.

Row Crops: Corn was 99 percent emerged last week with the crop rated in mostly good condition. Sorghum planting increased to 70 percent planted and 25 percent emerged and rated in mostly fair condition. Sugarbeets and onions were rated in mostly good condition by the end of last week. Summer potatoes were 82 percent planted with 60 percent emerged and rated in mostly fair condition. Fall potatoes were 65 percent emerged by the end of last week with the crop rated in mostly fair condition. Sunflower planting reached 70 percent planted last week. Dry beans reached 96 percent planted and 41 percent emerged.

SMALL GRAIN CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending June 19, 2011

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat					
This Week	9	14	39	33	5
Last Year	2	5	20	63	10
Spring Barley					
This Week	0	3	51	41	5
Last Year	0	4	39	47	10
Spring Wheat					
This Week	0	4	44	46	6
Last Year	0	5	44	42	9

Pasture and Range: Pasture and range feed conditions are quite variable and were rated in poor to good condition across the State. Alfalfa cuttings progressed to 64 percent of the 1st cutting complete, with the crop rated in mostly good condition.

Livestock: Death losses for cattle and sheep were still rated average for the State. Stored feed supplies were also rated average for this time of year. Some feed shortages were reported in the southeastern corner of the State where range and pasture have suffered due to dry conditions.

PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending June 19, 2011

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pasture & Range-2011	11	24	23	33	9
Prev. Year – 2010	1	8	26	56	9
5-Year Avg.	12	16	27	36	9

COLORADO CROP PROGRESS

Development Ratings for Week Ending June 19, 2011

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg.
Winter Wheat				
Headed	98	94	99	99
Turning Color	35	20	37	58
Ripe	3	N/A	3	16
Spring Barley				
Headed	26	13	37	28
Spring Wheat				
Headed	14	3	34	23
Corn				
Emerged	99	90	100	98
Sorghum				
Planted	70	42	93	79
Emerged	25	13	53	47
Sunflowers				
Planted	70	50	82	82
Alfalfa				
1 st Cutting	64	48	77	67
Dry Beans				
Planted	96	79	95	84
Emerged	41	16	73	57
Fall Potatoes				
Emerged	65	43	90	73
Summer Potatoes				
Planted	82	77	100	99
Emerged	60	45	99	82

COLORADO CONDITION RATINGS 1/

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Livestock	0	2	23	64	11
Corn	0	2	22	67	9
Sorghum	0	25	48	22	5
Dry Onions	1	1	10	78	10
Alfalfa	2	13	28	50	7
Sugarbeets	0	3	30	61	6
Fall Potatoes	0	3	58	33	6
Summer Potatoes	1	2	66	23	8

1/ Crop condition ratings pertain to emerged plants early in the growing season through plants remaining to be harvested late in the season.